

Automated Commercial Environment—Requirements Recommendation

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Subject Matter:	Support of secondary notify procedures.		

Requirement

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Business Need

Current ocean and rail ACE legacy manifest systems have the ability to direct copies of shipment status notifications to parties other than the originating carrier. ACE carriers need the ability to direct copies of release notifications to multiple parties. ACE should be able to direct these messages to ACS participants as well as ACE participants. This means that ACE status messages will need to be translated to legacy formats of CATAIR, CAMIR, ANSI X12 and CARGO IMP so that they can be exchanged with carriers that are already automated.

Technical Need

Ability for ACE to utilize secondary functionality of ACS. To support a translation of release messages from the ACE native format to currently supported ACS message structures. The ability to direct copies of status messages to current ACS participants over the ACS communications network.

Benefits

The ability to send shipment status notifications to parties other than the carrier that are directly involved in the manifest and release process. These parties could include container freight stations, port authorities, NVOCCs, freight consolidators, airlines, airlines service centers and Custom Brokers.

Risks

Continued support of Legacy methodologies has not been encouraged by CBP.

Messages such as release of crew and conveyance do not exist in ACS today therefore existing trade systems that interface with ACS would have to program to accept new messages. Legacy CBP/ACS would have to add functionality to support new messages.

Related Subcommittees

Legal and Policy.

Priority: **Critical** ☐ **High** ☒ **Medium** ☐ **Low** ☐